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AMENDMENTSTO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended). A slide controller for an audio mixer having a plurality of slides, in which ~~[[a]]~~each slide of the plurality of slides ~~[[may]]~~is configured to be shifted along a limited path in a slot-shaped opening in a front plate, characterized in that an illuminable element is provided ~~which~~that extends along the slot-shaped opening.
2. (original): A device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the illuminable element appears as a luminous strip when looking onto the front plate.
3. (currently amended): Device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the illuminable element is connected to a light conductor and ~~is connected~~ to a light source.
4. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim ~~[[1]]~~3, characterized in that the light source may emit multi-colored light.
5. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim ~~[[1]]~~3, characterized that a light emitting diode is provided as light source.
6. (original): A device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the illuminable element is connected to a selector key through a light conductor and a light source.
7. (original): A device as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the light conductor is arranged at the front plate.

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8. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim ~~[[1]]~~3, characterized in that the light source is arranged on a printed circuit board.
9. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the selector key is provided for selecting at least one function, and that the light source is controlled such that a predetermined color ~~for the~~of light from the light source is associated to the respective function.
10. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that one selector key ~~each~~ is provided for ~~[[one]]~~each function of a plurality of functions and that an independent color ~~for the~~of light from the illuminable element is provided for each function.
11. (currently amended): A device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the illuminable element is provided in the slot-shaped opening.